

Broomhaugh & Riding Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12th March 2007 in the Supper room of the Parish Hall at 7.45pm

Present: Councillors Horton, Ryder, Howey, Cairns, Dunhill and Heslop. Also present were District Councillor Latham (part); 8 members of the public and a member of the Press.

1. Apologies were received from Cllr Nitsch, and Cllr Thompson

2. Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record.

3. Matters arising:

a. *Tender:* Two tenders had been received and clarification of some points was being made before proceeding to the next stage.

b. *Fly Tipping:* Little was available in the files on ownership of the land but it was ascertained that Land Factor managed both relevant estates. Cllr Ltham had been in touch with them and they had agreed to replace the gate across the top of the old Whiteside Bank and also put in security post. It was agreed to put up the notice about fly tipping as well.

c. *Clean Up day:* this was confirmed as 31st March. A skip would be in place in the Old Playground for a week and gloves and bags would be provided by Tynedale.

4. Crime prevention: There have been several incidents recently which have also been reported in the Hexham Courant. Cllr Dunhill noted that the Home Office provided a booklet about home security etc. and it was agreed to circulate copies to some householders. It was also agreed to get more copies to hand out at the APM. It was agreed to invite someone to talk about Crime Prevention/Neighbourhood Watch at the Annual Parish meeting.

5. Planning:

2006/1518 West House, Hollin Hill Terrace, listed - Refused

2007/0005 33 Station Close - Conditional permission

6. Correspondence:

a) General, for circulation

b) Knotweed area: Mrs Stephenson had kindly looked into the options for placing large boulders around this area to prevent parking damage. The attempt to put in posts had been vandalised very rapidly. It was agreed to check with the Insurers about the Health & Safety risks of this and also to check how many knotweed treatments were left to be done as there is no point in placing obstructions until that is complete.

7. Finance:

a) The financial statement and receipts were accepted by all councillors

b) The following payments were authorised by all councillors:-

M F Anderton/Salary/Feb	£352.42
M F Anderton/Expenses/Feb	£96.43
Carter Bus. Systems	£16.06
Val Thompson	£46.90
Northumbrian Water	£9.76

8. Minor matters:

It was noted the planters were now in place at either end of the village and the Parish Council asked that the WI and Mrs Val Thompson be thanked for their efforts in this matter. There was some interest in the speed signs that Slaley were thinking of installing in their village. It was agreed to ask about them and their costs as a possible extra deterrent in Riding Mill.

It was also noted that there was a notice in the window of the Wellington Inn which suggests they want to vary their licence restrictions to allow much longer hours for members of the public to sit outside the pub. This is causing concern to the public who live in the area and objections are being sought to be forwarded to Tynedale as the Licensing authority. The

Parish Council also agreed to write expressing concern as they are now entitled to be consulted on licensing matters.

It was noted the date of the next Parish Council meeting would be 16th April because of Easter and that the APM would be on 25th April at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.30.